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Docket No. R2001-1

REVISED RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE  
WITNESS TAYMAN TO INTERROGATORY  
OF THE MAGAZINE PUBLISHERS OF AMERICA  
(MPA/USPS-T6-4)  
(ERRATA)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides a revised response of witness Tayman to MPA/USPS-T6-4. The original answer was filed on October 18, 2001. The Postal Service had incorrectly copied parts (b) and (c) of the question. The corrected questions and the appropriate answers are now reflected. This answer is a complete replacement for the one filed previously. The Postal Service regrets any inconvenience caused by this error.

Respectfully submitted,

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**MPA/USPS-T6-4.** On page 62 of your testimony, you note that TFP grew by 2.5 percent in FY 2000, is on pace to grow by 2.0 percent in FY 2001, and is projected to grow by 1.1 percent in FY 2002.

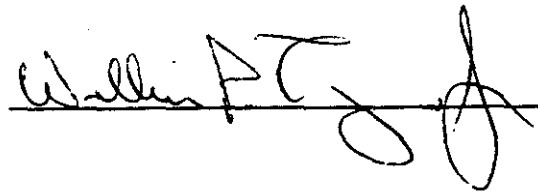
- (a) If the Postal Service's FY 2002 cost and volume forecasts (as well as all underlying forecasting assumptions) come to pass, how much higher would USPS total factor productivity (TFP) be in FY 2002 than in FY 2001?
- (b) If the Postal Service's FY 2002 and TYBR cost (excluding contingency) and volume forecasts (as well as all underlying forecasting assumptions) come to pass, how much higher would USPS TFP be in TYBR than in FY 2002?
- (c) If the Postal Service's FY 2002 and TYAR cost (excluding contingency) and volume forecasts (as well as all underlying forecasting assumptions) come to pass, how much higher would USPS TFP be in TYAR than in FY 2002?
- (d) Please provide detailed documentation regarding how the Postal Service calculates TFP.

**RESPONSE:**

- (a) Based on the assumptions included in the R2001-1 rate case filing for FYs 2001 and 2002, TFP is estimated to increase by 1.1 percent in FY 2002.
- (b) There have been no TFP calculations made beyond FY 2002.
- (c) There have been no TFP calculations made beyond FY 2002.
- (d) See USPS Library Reference H-279, Docket No. R97-1, Total Factor Productivity.

# DECLARATION

I, William P. Tayman, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing answers are true and correct, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William P. Tayman", written over a horizontal line.

Dated: 10-30-01

# CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Scott L. Reiter", is written over a horizontal line.

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